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2 June 1952

Assistant General Counsel

Loss on Sale of Personal Furniture

1. Referring to your memorandum of April 9, 1952 this office does not see any legal basis for the payment of your loss. In addition to the facts set forth in your memorandum it is my understanding that you were informed that you could not store your furniture at government expense while you were overseas. For your information, your furniture could have been so stored at government expense if properly authorized by your superiors.

2. It is true that you have undoubtedly suffered a hardship as a result of the cancellation of your overseas assignment due to operational reasons. However, such hardship is not peculiar to employees of this Agency and the sudden cancellation of an overseas assignment might occur just as readily in the State Department or the Department of Defense. The normal regulations of government do not allow reimbursement for personal losses occasioned by such cancellations.

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